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1	CHILD CARE LICENSING RESTRICTIONS
2	2006 GENERAL SESSION
3	STATE OF UTAH
4	Chief Sponsor: M. Susan Lawrence
5	Senate Sponsor:
6 7	LONG TITLE
8	General Description:
9	This bill amends the Utah Child Care Licensing Act.
10	Highlighted Provisions:
11	This bill:
12	<ul> <li>amends child care licensing restrictions; and</li> </ul>
13	. • amends the authority of the Department of Health and its executive director to
14	create exemptions to those restrictions.
15	Monies Appropriated in this Bill:
16	None
17	Other Special Clauses:
18	None
19	Utah Code Sections Affected:
20	AMENDS:
21 22	<b>26-39-107</b> , as last amended by Chapter 153, Laws of Utah 1999
23	Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
24	Section 1. Section 26-39-107 is amended to read:
25	26-39-107. Disqualified individuals Criminal history checks Payment of
26	costs.
27	(1) (a) Each person requesting a residential certificate or to be licensed or to renew a



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28 license under this chapter shall submit to the department the name and other identifying 29 information, which shall include fingerprints, of existing, new, and proposed: 30 (i) owners; 31 (ii) directors; 32 (iii) members of the governing body; 33 (iv) employees; 34 (v) providers of care; 35 (vi) volunteers, except parents of children enrolled in the programs; and 36 (vii) all adults residing in a residence where child care is provided. 37 (b) A person seeking renewal of a residential certificate or license under this section is 38 not required to submit fingerprints of an individual referred to in Subsections (1)(a)(i) through 39 (vi), if: 40 (i) the individual has resided in Utah for the last five years; 41 (ii) the individual has: 42 (A) previously submitted fingerprints under this section for a national criminal history 43 record check; and 44 (B) resided in Utah continuously since that time; or 45 (iii) as of May 3, 1999, the individual had one of the relationships under Subsection 46 (1)(a) with a child care provider having a residential certificate or licensed under this section 47 and the individual has resided in Utah continuously since that time. 48 (c) (i) The Utah Division of Criminal Investigation and Technical Services within the 49 Department of Public Safety shall process the information required under Subsection (1)(a) to 50 determine whether the individual has been convicted of any crime. 51 (ii) The Utah Division of Criminal Investigation and Technical Services shall submit 52 fingerprints required under Subsection (1)(a) to the FBI for a national criminal history record 53 check. 54 (iii) The applicant for the license or residential certificate shall pay the cost of 55 conducting a record check under this Subsection (1)(c). 56 [(2) An owner, director, member of the governing body, employee, provider of care, or 57 volunteer who has a felony conviction may not provide child care or operate a residential 58 certificate or licensed child care program.

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59	[(3) An owner, director, member of the governing body, employee, or other provider of
60	care who has been convicted of a misdemeanor may not provide child care or operate a
51	residential certificate or licensed child care program, except that:
52	(2) Except as provided in Subsection (3), a licensee under this chapter may not permit a
53	person who has been convicted, has pleaded no contest, or is currently subject to a plea in
54	abeyance or diversion agreement for any felony or misdemeanor, or who has been adjudicated
65	in juvenile court of committing an act which if committed by an adult would be a felony or
66	misdemeanor, to:
67	(a) provide child care;
58	(b) provide volunteer services for a licensed child care program or a child care program
59	operating under a residential child care certificate;
70	(c) reside at the premises where child care is provided; or
71	(d) function as an owner, director, or member of the governing body of a licensed child
72	care program or a child care program operating under a residential child care certificate.
73	(3) (a) [the] The department may, by rule, [exclude specified] exempt the following
74	from the restrictions of Subsection (2):
75	(i) specific misdemeanors [that do not disqualify an individual under this section]; and
76	(ii) acts adjudicated in juvenile court, which if committed by an adult would be
77	misdemeanors.
78	(b) [the] In accordance with criteria established by rule, the executive director may
79	consider and [approve] exempt individual cases [in accordance with criteria established by
30	rule] not otherwise exempt under Subsection (3)(a) from the restrictions of Subsection (2).

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Based on a limited legal review, this legislation has not been determined to have a high probability of being held unconstitutional.

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#### **Child Care Licensing Restrictions**

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## **State Impact**

No state or local government fiscal impact.

## **Individual and Business Impact**

Some individuals with a criminal record may have their child care employment opportunities limited, resulting in a fiscal impact to that individual.

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